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Llywodraeth Cymru  
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# Coronavirus COVID-19 News



## Headline News

### [National coronavirus fire-break to be introduced in Wales on Friday](#)

A short, sharp “fire-break” will be introduced across Wales at the end of this week to help regain control of coronavirus, First Minister Mark Drakeford announced today.

### [Coronavirus circuit break: frequently asked questions](#)

This guidance is about rules that will come into force at 6:00pm on Friday 23 October.

### [Technical Advisory Group: fire breaks](#)

The paper recommends a 2-3 week hard fire break to bring R below 1 in order to both lessen the impact and slow the growth of the epidemic in Wales.

### [Firebreak promotional materials](#)

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## **[Local Lockdown Information](#)**

Restrictions to reduce the spread of coronavirus and protect public health in areas of Wales.

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## **Legislation, Technical Advice & Statistics.**

### **[Coronavirus legislation and guidance on the law](#)**

The laws and guidance on these laws passed in Wales in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

### **[Advice on coronavirus from the Technical Advisory Cell](#)**

Information to help ministers respond in the best interests of the Welsh population to the COVID-19 pandemic.

### **[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) related statistics and research](#)**

Latest data and analysis on the effect of coronavirus on society in Wales.

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## **Promotional Materials & Toolkits**

## [Keep Wales Safe promotional materials](#)

## [Test, Trace Protect promotional materials](#)

Test, Trace, Protect promotional material including promotional materials for the new COVID-19 app.

## [Business Wales Tool Kit](#)

Practical resources to help employers keep their workforce safe at work

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## [NHS COVID-19 app](#)

Have you downloaded the NHS COVID-19 app yet? The app allows you to report symptoms, order a coronavirus test, and check in to venues by scanning a QR code, all while protecting your anonymity. If you've already downloaded the app, please remember to use it – the more people who use the app, the greater our chances of reducing the spread of the virus. The app is an important part of our Test, Trace, Protect programme.

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## **Symptom Study**

Help us fight coronavirus by reporting your health daily, even if you feel well.

You can help us fight coronavirus by completing a daily health survey on the [COVID-19 symptom study app](#). This app is for everyone, not just for those who have symptoms.

The app will help us understand the symptoms and spread of COVID-19.

By answering some quick questions, you can help us plan our response to coronavirus.

We will not share the answers you give us beyond the NHS and trusted organisations working directly with the NHS in response to coronavirus.

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## Test, Trace, Protect strategy

A campaign is underway aimed at informing the general public and critical workers of the Welsh Government's Test, Trace, Protect strategy. The website has been updated with the latest information on the strategy, including guidance for employers (<https://gov.wales/test-trace-protect-coronavirus>). New video and animated social assets have been produced for use across paid-for campaigns and for stakeholders to share through their own channels. The assets are available to [download here](#) and please disseminate these to your networks and use across your social media channels to help share information on Test, Trace, Protect.

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## Information



### [Business and employers](#)

Support to help businesses and third sector organisations affected by coronavirus.



### [Coronavirus health advice](#)

Stay at home, self-isolation, support as an extremely vulnerable person.



## [Education and childcare](#)

Guidance on coronavirus for parents, everyone working in education and childcare providers.



## [Health and social care professionals](#)

Coronavirus guidance for the NHS and people working in social, community and residential care



## [Housing](#)

Guidance for landlords, park (mobile) homes and rough sleeper services during the coronavirus pandemic



## [Travel](#)

Coronavirus advice for people returning from abroad or planning to travel



## [Volunteering \(third sector\)](#)

Volunteering during the coronavirus pandemic, support for the third sector



## [Community services](#)

Planning, fire, domestic abuse and sexual violence



## [Jobs,skills and financial support](#)

Help with benefits, to stay in work and gain new skills

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## Useful links

[Welsh Government](#)

[Public Health Wales](#)

[Business Wales](#)

[Looking out for each other](#)

[Volunteering Wales](#)

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